

# Using Isopropanol as a Capping Agent in the Hydrothermal Liquefaction of Kraft Lignin in Near-Critical Water

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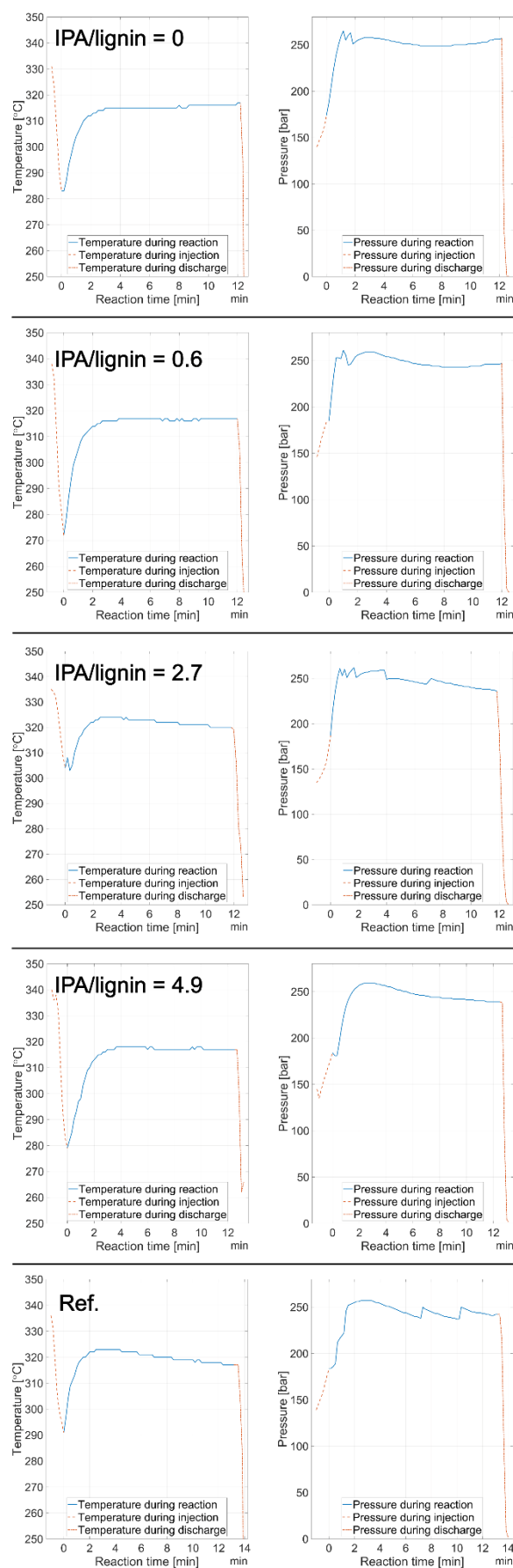
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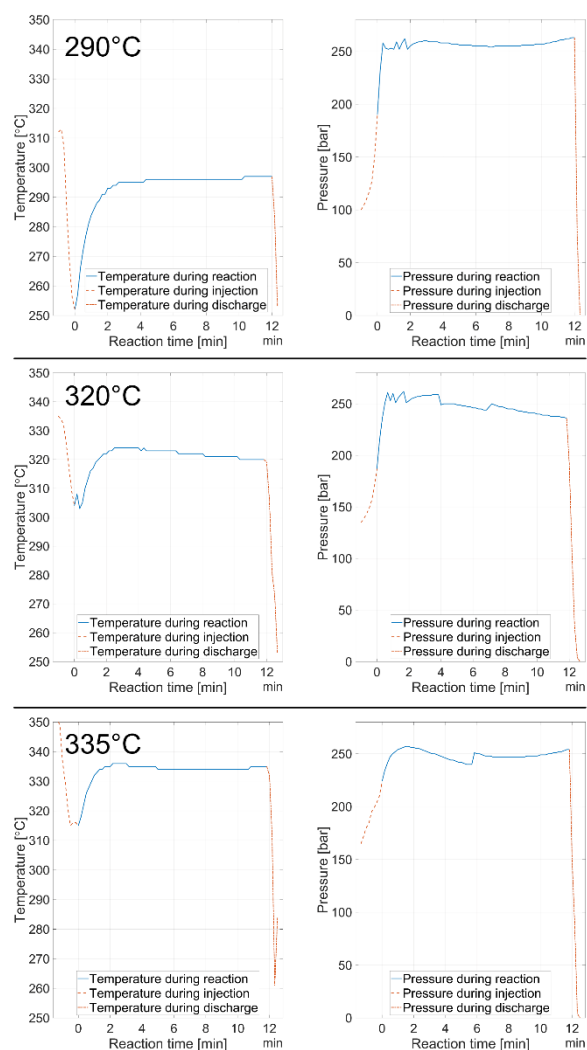
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**Table S1.** Average temperature and pressure, and their respective ranges, during the reaction. Calculated with  $\Psi_{avg} = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \Psi(t) dt / (t_2 - t_1)$  where  $t_2$  is the time of discharge from the reactor,  $t_1$  is the time when the injection was completed and  $\Psi$  is either the temperature or pressure. Yields of product fractions and the amount of IPA added remaining in the reactor product measured with gas chromatography with flame ionisation detector (PerkinElmer GC-FID, Clarus 690; PerkinElmer Life and Analytical Sciences, Shelton, CT, USA). The GC-FID program started at 85°C for 1 min followed by a 20°C/min heating rate to 160°C and a final hold at that temperature for 2 minutes. The column used was an Elite BAC-1 PE N9315071 and an internal standard of 1-propanol was used.

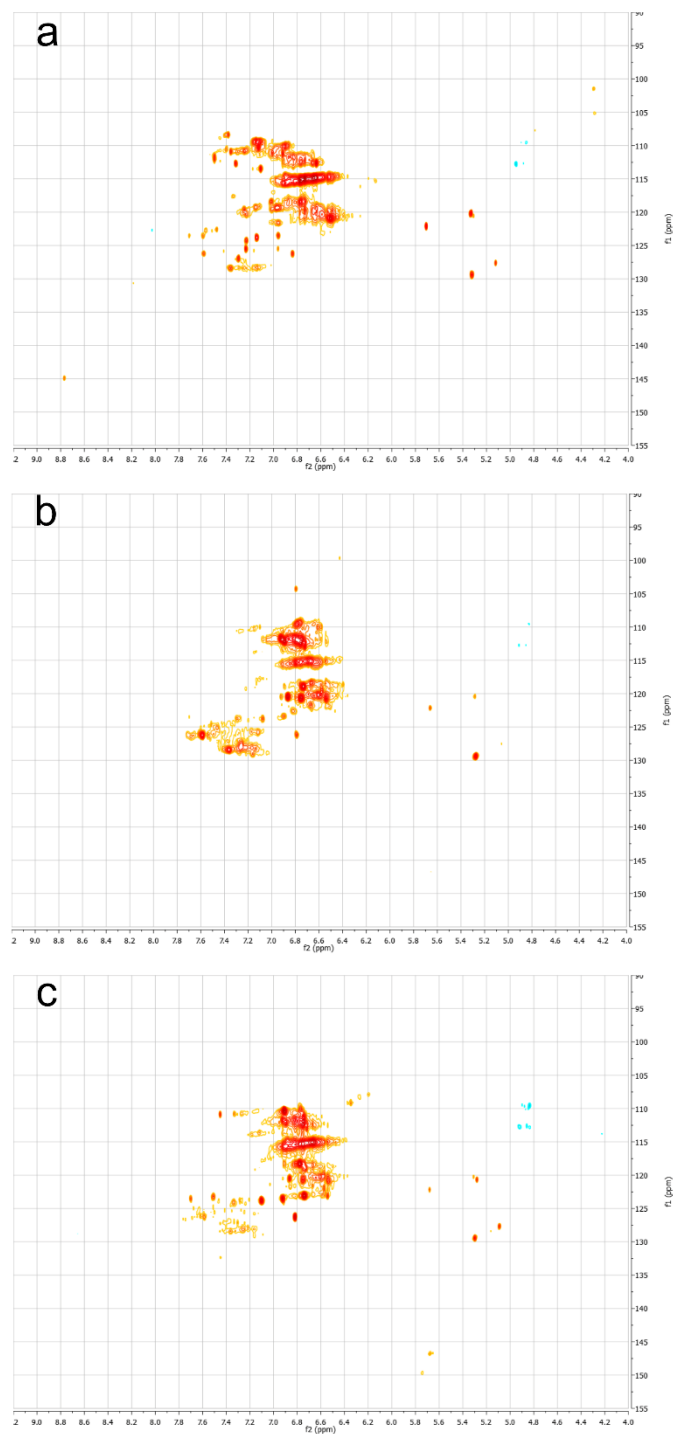
IPA/Dry lignin [g/g]	Nominal T [°C]	T <sub>avg</sub> [°C]	T range [°C]	P <sub>avg</sub> [bar]	P range [bar]	Char yield [%]	Precipitated solids yield [%]	ASO yield [%]	IPA remaining [%]
<b>IPA Series</b>									
0	320	313	283-317	250	174-265	36	19	16	--
0.6	320	314	272-317	248	185-261	31	27	13	67
2.7	320	321	303-324	247	236-262	20	33	15	71
4.9	320	314	279-318	243	181-259	27	36	20	82
Ref.	320	319	291-323	242	184-257	--	--	--	73
<b>Temperature Series</b>									
2.7	290	293	252-297	256	190-263	16	46	22	85
2.7	320	321	303-324	247	236-262	20	33	15	71
2.7	335	334	315-336	248	224-257	27	29	23	71



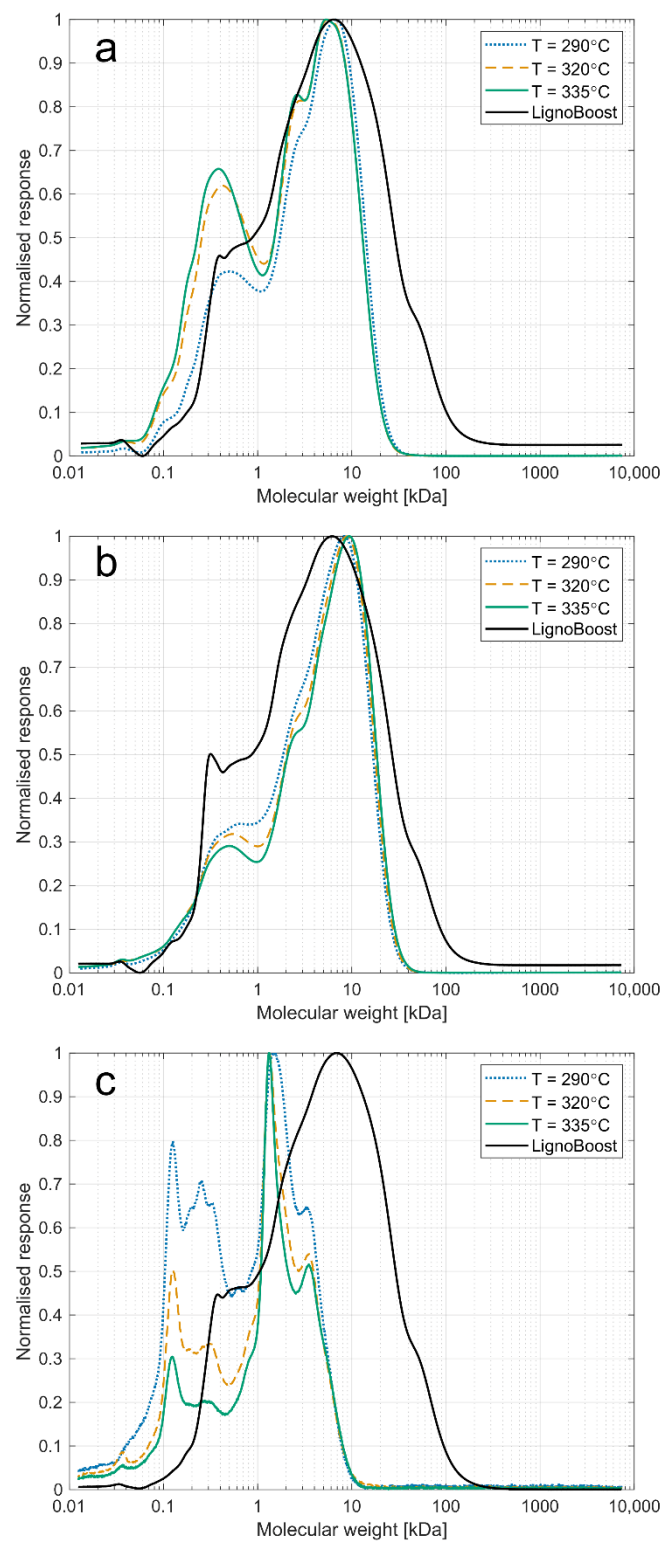
**Figure S1.** Temperature (left) and pressure (right) profiles in the reactor during injection, reaction, and discharge in the IPA series.



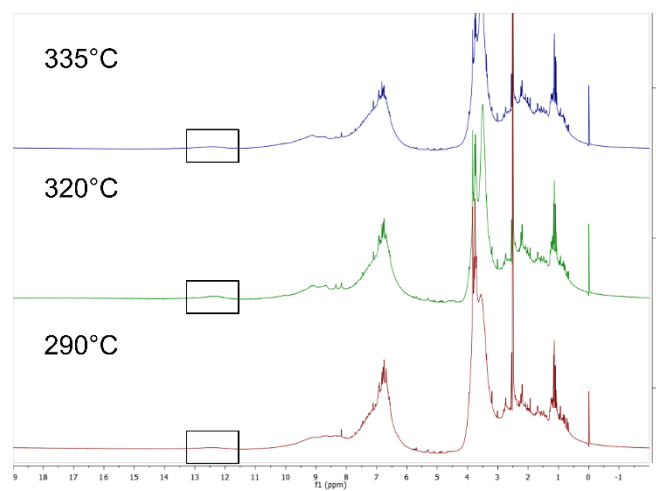
**Figure S2.** Temperature (left) and pressure (right) profiles in the reactor during injection, reaction, and discharge in the temperature series.



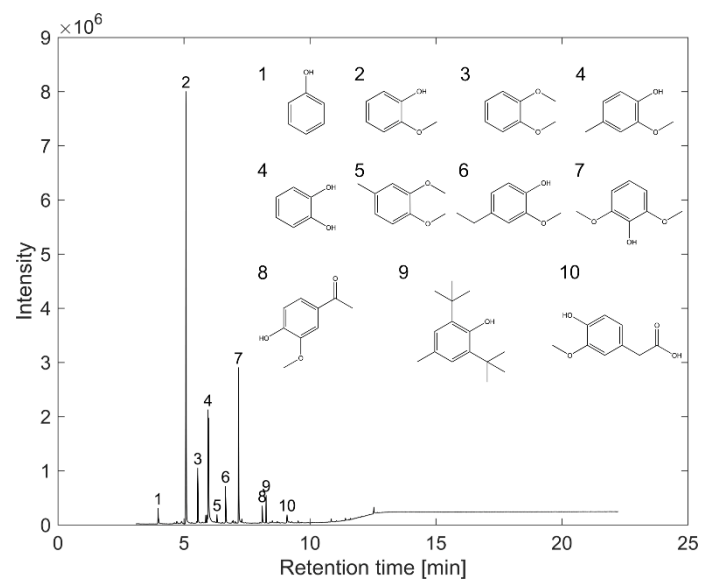
**Figure S3.** Aromatic region,  $\delta_C/\delta_H$  90-155/4.0-9.2ppm, of the heteronuclear single quantum coherence spectroscopy (HSQC) spectra of the LignoBoost lignin (a), char (b) and precipitated solids (c).



**Figure S4.** Gel permeation chromatography (GPC) chromatograms in the temperature series for char (a), precipitated solids (b) and ASO (c).



**Figure S5.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of the precipitated solids in the temperature series: 335°C, 320°C and 290°C. The weak broad peak between 12 and 13 ppm in each spectrum, marked with a black box, represents the carboxylic acids.



**Figure S6.** Typical gas chromatography (GC) chromatogram of the DEE-extracted ASO. Peak 4 is a mixture of creosol and catechol and therefore not properly resolved, Peak 7 is the internal standard and Peak 9 the solvent preservative.